

The Informal Public Hearing was held from 4:00 to 7:00 pm with a drop-in format and no formal presentation. Hearing maps were displayed, and NCDOT and consultant staff discussed the project with attendees.

7.4 Public Hearing Comments

The following is list of citizen comments received via mail or email during the comment period ending September 25, 2009, including those comments received at the Public Hearing on August 25, 2009.

Citizen Comment #1 (August 13, 2009)

- Appreciate the update on TIP project for our bridge. While reviewing I noted a couple of things. First, the two attachments, which are old maps of ECity, show the unnamed tributary on your map for the project as Tiber Creek and Branch canal. Also Elizabeth Street was originally the south branch of Poindexter Creek which is why we have so many problems with storm water runoff. Second, our municipal limits extend across the bridge into Camden County up by the ABC store.

Response: Thank you for providing additional information. The stream names shown in the Environmental Assessment are those designated by the North Carolina Division of Water Quality. Although the old maps show the unnamed tributary as Tiber Creek and Branch canal, we must use the official DWQ names. The municipal limits do extend onto Machelhe Island, as shown in Figures 1, 2, and 5a-b of the Environmental Assessment. The Elizabeth City municipal boundary on Machelhe Island is not contiguous with the boundary on the mainland because of the Pasquotank River.

Citizen Comment #2 (August 25, 2009)

- Very informative. Staff answered all three concerns of mine. Glad I came – looking forward to the finished product.

Response: Thank you for your comment.

Citizen Comment #3 (August 25, 2009)

- The Styling Depot concerns about the structural soundness of the building during demolition. Close proximity to the road.

Response: During design, NCDOT will develop a Vibration Monitoring Plan to establish vibration limits for the contractor during construction. Prior to the start of construction, NCDOT also intends to survey the interior and exterior of existing